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WOMEN SELF HELP GROUPS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of woman self help groups working at present for women empowerment in different parts of the country;

(b) the achievements of these groups during the last three years; and

(c) the number of women benefited till date under the Swayam Siddha and Swadhar schmes launched for the all round rehabilitation of women?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI JAS KAUR MEENA)

(a),(b)&(c) Under the Swa Shakti and Swayamsidhaschemes being implemented by the Department of Women and Child Development, 72640 women self help groups are under formation in the country. Their achievements range from thrift, inter-personal loaning, bank linkages, economic enterprise, convergence with various Government and other schemes and development of Community assets.

It is estimated that 10.69 lac women will be benefited by the Swa Shakti and Swayamsidha schemes by 31.3.2006.

Around 3000 women have benefited under Swadhar Scheme as on date.